

United Kingdom's Miracle Comeback

But Margin Is Still Slim

London, Nov. 1.

Britain is back on her feet economically, but the margin is so small that rising prices and rearmament could upset her again, economists said today.

The comeback of Britain from the very brink of bankruptcy three years ago has been little short of a miracle plus the help of \$6,243,000,000.

In the year since devaluation, Britain's position has improved to such an extent that the Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, was able to tell the House of Commons after the King's speech at the opening of Parliament: "No one can question the fact that in the last year this country has achieved notable economic recovery."

The Socialist Government—and to a certain extent the Tories agree—claims that socialism plus rigid controls and planning have made this recovery possible. Therefore Mr. Attlee and his associates have thrown into this new session of the Commons a bill to make permanent some of the wartime powers which the Government still uses to control the daily economic life of Britain.

Labourites say the alternative is runaway inflation, economic chaos and unfair shares rather than the "fair shares for all."

STRONG GROUND

Mr. Attlee is on strong ground so strong that he has agreed to a review of Marshall aid, possibly with a view to cutting it down.

Some British economists say had it not been for the Korean war and the economic upheaval called for by the new rearmament programme, Britain might be able to dispense entirely with Marshall aid without much of a setback. Now, even if it is possible to cut economic aid, the British may need more military aid. High British officials have said they cannot increase the proposed \$3,321,500,000 three-year arms programme by a penny without converting the country to wartime economy. The Labour

Government has no intention of doing that, as the King's speech showed.

RESERVES DOUBLED

The Labour Government intends to push ahead with socialism, despite its tiny majority in the House of Commons. Mr. Attlee is very proud of the fact that Britain's gold and dollar reserves have doubled in the past year—now at \$2,756,000,000 compared to \$1,340,000,000 when the pound sterling was devalued on September 18, 1949, from \$4.03 to \$2.80.—United Press.

THE ODD AND THE UNUSUAL

Palermo, Sicily, Nov. 1.

Fifty-four year-old Edmondo Dolberti politely lifted his hat when he passed two women in a lonely street at Burgio, near here.

Then he was surprised when they suddenly lifted their dresses, drew rifles from beneath the clothing and asked him to put up his hands.

They relieved him of his wallet, containing 300,000 lire (\$272), lifted their dresses and ran down the street. It was then that Dolberti noticed that the couple wore trousers beneath their dresses.

The police are now searching for two men who had been disguised as women.—Reuter.

MONKEY BUSINESS

Sydney, Nov. 1. Other monkeys formed a ring to watch when an Indian macaque (long-muzzled monkey) attacked James Dickinson, an attendant at Taronga Park Zoo here.

The macaque was a children's circus performer "turned sour". Dickinson was treated at hospital for several arteries and torn arm tendons.—Reuter.

AS SLIM AS A FIG

Queensland pigs are slimming—and stockmen are proud of it.

The change-about started when Agriculture Department officials decided too many pigs were being turned out over-fat.

THE CHILDREN'S TURN

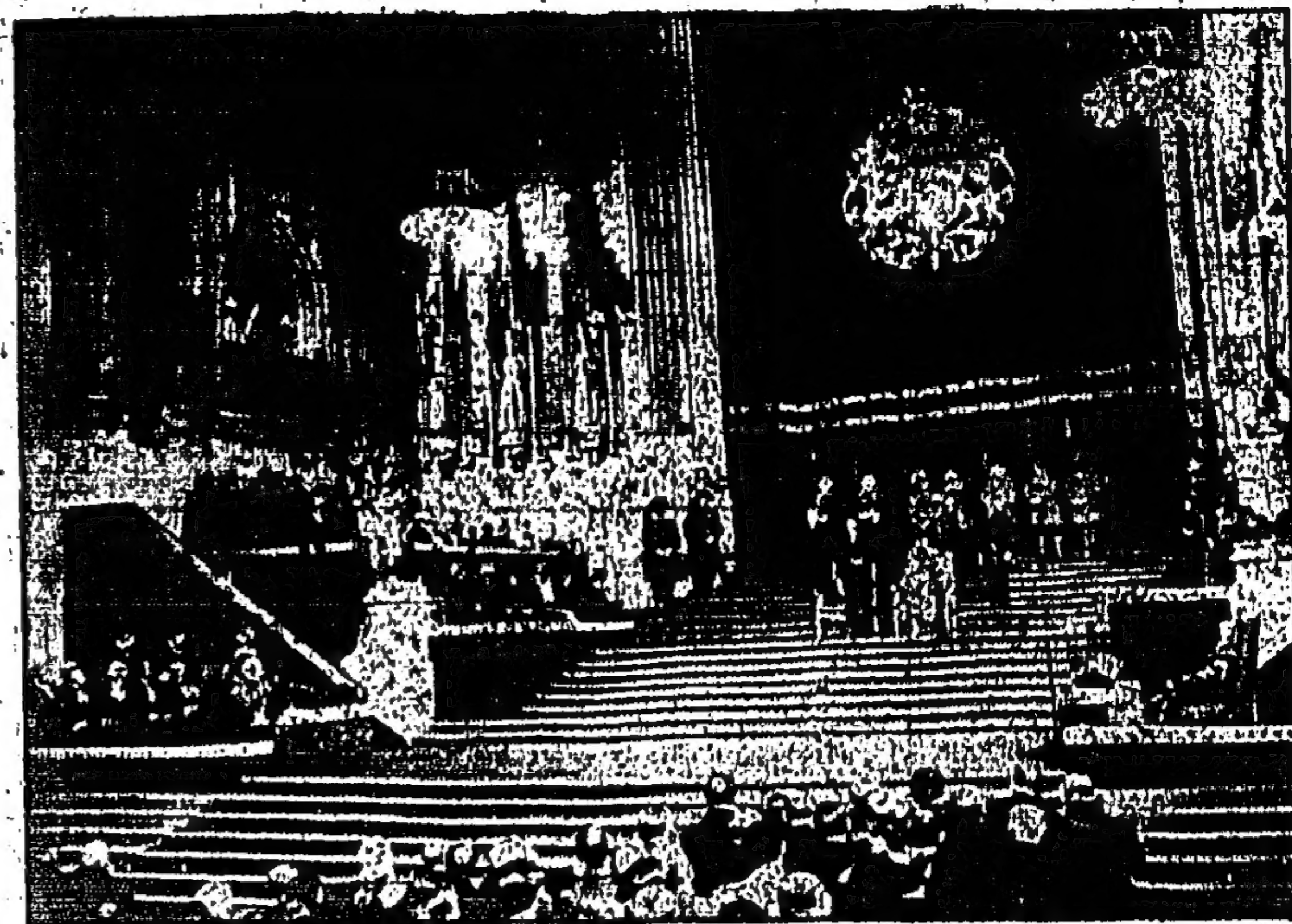
Copenhagen, Nov. 1. Danish schoolchildren will be able to say what they think about their teachers' and their schools in a feature broadcast planned by the Danish State Radio this winter.

The broadcasts will include discussions between parents, teachers and psychologists.—Reuter.

DOORSTEP TO HEAVEN

Sydney, Nov. 1. "This," a suburban householder chaffily told a passing army officer as he unloaded a 60 lb. aerial bomb from his car.

Pomp and Ceremony in Parliament



All the pomp and ceremony of British tradition was seen when the King addressed both Houses of Parliament at the opening of the new House of Commons. His Majesty, who spoke from the throne at Westminster Hall, was accompanied by the Queen, Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret and Queen Mary were among the members of the Royal Family who attended the colourful ceremony.—Associated Press.



The Grand Prior of the Order of St. John, the Duke of Gloucester, held a reception of Knights in the Chapter Hall of St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell. The King is Sovereign head of the Order. Picture shows Colonel John Livingston Hamilton MC, TD (Grace) being invested by the Duke.

FURTHER POWERS FOR THE GERMANS

London, Nov. 1.

West Germany was to be given control of her own foreign policy under an interim revision of the Allied Occupation Statute to be announced shortly, it was learned from a usually reliable source tonight.

The announcement is expected to be made before the three Powers Study Group in London completes its work.

It will follow decisions made by the three Allied Foreign Ministers in New York last month which have since been the subject of negotiations between the Allied High Commission and the Bonn Government.

The revision will include: (1) The granting to Western Germany of control over her foreign policy. In this connection it is expected that the West German consular representatives in the three capitals will be raised to the status of political agents.

(2) The assumption of the Federal Government of responsibility for Germany's pre-war debts.

(3) The granting of control of domestic legislation to the Federal Government. It is understood that the new Statute will take effect from the date of the announcement which is expected shortly.—Reuter.

Last Message Of Dead Pilot

London, Nov. 1.

Officials today played over records of the last message from Captain S. D. Clayton, pilot of the Viking plane which crashed here last night and killed 23 who were aboard.

They were trying to reconstruct the fatal few minutes before the British European Airways plane plunged to the earth in thick fog and burst into flames.

All conversations between pilots and Air Control officials at London Airport are recorded by dictaphone.

Long Pakenham, the Minister of Civil Aviation, spent an hour today investigating the wreckage, from which only two people survived. The survivors—Miss Alice, 31-year-old stewardess of the plane, and Raymond Perkins, 27-year-old passenger, were stated to be comfortable in hospital.—Reuter.

Ban On RC's Turned Down

Johannesburg, Nov. 1.

Many non-Roman Catholic English Churches in the Transvaal today officially repudiated a resolution adopted by Protestant Churches in the Province yesterday that Roman Catholic immigrants should be barred from South Africa.

The Protestant Churches Conference, which called for the ban on Catholic immigrants, was initiated by the Dutch Reformed Church in the Transvaal, which invited English-speaking Protestant Churches to attend.

The Conference suggested that the South African Government make sure that diplomatic representatives were not exchanged between South Africa and Vatican City which was accused of trying to make its influence felt among the African and coloured population in South Africa.—Reuter.

GLENVIL HALL RE-ELECTED

London, Nov. 1.

Mr. William Glenvil Hall, a former Under-Secretary at the Treasury in Mr. Clement Attlee's Government, was today re-elected unopposed as Chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party.

At the Party's first meeting of the new session of Parliament it was agreed that there should be no composition of Labour's rigid disciplinary code, which was suspended when Labour took office in 1945.—Reuter.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



New Delhi Note To Peking

New Delhi, Nov. 1.

Authoritative quarters here today discounted suggestions that India gave any specific assurance to China in her latest note that Tibet will not be used as an anti-Communist base.

It was officially stated here, also, that the recent diplomatic exchanges between New Delhi and Peking will be released tomorrow.

Further details of the small Indian force of troops at Gyantse, 48 miles inside Tibet, were revealed today, after the Indian Government stated last night that it had no intention of withdrawing them.

Their strength had not been disclosed, but it is believed to be not larger than one company strong (perhaps from 100 to 150 officers and men).

These troops are stated to have no military commitments whatever and are only employed under the terms of the Chinese-Indian Convention of 1900 to escort Indian traders and Indian Government trade agents and diplomatic personnel travelling between Kalimpong and Lhasa.

Gyantse is about half way between these two towns.

Detachments are detailed from Gyantse to guard travellers against Tibetan bandits who infest the area.

The men of this force also guard rest houses for Indian travellers.—Reuter.

Dalai Lama To Be Given Asylum

New Delhi, Nov. 1.

Informed quarters said here tonight that India has agreed to allow the Dalai Lama, the spiritual and temporal head of the three million Tibetans, to seek asylum in India.

This action was taken in pursuance of internationally recognised institutions of political asylum. A communication to this effect has been sent to the Tibetan Regent, these sources added.—Reuter.

Red Academy Liquidates Institute

Moscow, Nov. 1.

The Academy of Sciences announced today that the Oriental studies conducted by some of its Orientalist institutes were unsatisfactory and it decreed liquidation of its Pacific Affairs Institute.

The Leningrad Orientalist Institute will be transferred to Moscow where it will take over the staff of the Pacific Affairs Institute under the leadership of the new director, S. P. Tolstov.

The Academy criticised the work of both the Pacific and the Leningrad institutes for failure to prepare substantial scientific studies of current Far Eastern problems and for lack of co-ordination of the history, languages, literature and economy of current national liberation movements.

The new Institute will contain sections on China, Mongolia, Korea, Japan, South West Asia, India, Afghanistan, Iran, Turkey, the Arab countries and Soviet East areas.

Eugeny Shukov, former director of the Pacific Affairs Institute who attended the Charter session of the United Nations in San Francisco as "Pravda" correspondent, will head the Japanese Orientalist Institute.—United Press.

Mission To Syria

Damascus, Nov. 1.

A six-member Commission of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development arrived here today at the invitation of the Syrian Government.

The Commission will study the projects—mainly irrigation—that Syria intends to undertake with a loan from the Bank. The Commission is expected to stay in Syria for two weeks.—Reuter.

Communist Make-Believe Peace Drive

London, Nov. 1.

The British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, tonight denounced the forthcoming Communist-backed peace conference in Sheffield as bogus.

In a speech at the Foreign Press Association dinner here he bitterly attacked Communism and accused adherents of the Cominform of causing bloodshed and disturbances all over the world.

"All this elaborate make-believe is an attempt to trick decent, honest people," he declared.

"It's an appeal by the wolves to get the sheep to demonstrate against the use of shepherds and sheep dogs," he added.

"It is a common device of disturbers of the peace to profess peaceful sentiments and to proclaim loudly that they themselves are in danger of attack. Hitler and Goebbels were adepts at this."—Reuter.

SURRENDER CALL IN CHINESE

Ulsan, Korea, Nov. 1.

United Nations broadcasts calling the Reds to surrender, today switched emphasis to the Chinese language.

Mobile radio station and frontline loudspeakers which can be heard for five miles concentrated on getting Chinese soldiers to surrender or return home.—United Press.

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They're Hit In Stomach



The disastrous harvest, plus the Cominform's economic blockade, threatens to hit the Yugoslavs in the stomach this winter unless substantial foodstuffs can be imported. The situation has compelled Marshal Tito to sign a decree abolishing special privileges in the supply and distribution of rations and consumer goods. The decree is aimed at saving food and household necessities and ensuring fair shares for all. The food emergency is already evident in the markets where prices have rocketed beyond the pocket and barter is the order of the day. This still has only a few eggs, vegetables and cheese.—Associated Press.

CHINESE CLAIM GAINS MADE IN TIBET INVASION

London, Nov. 1.

Peking Radio, for the first time acknowledging the invasion of Tibet, said Chinese Communist troops scored initial successes and occupied the eastern Tibetan city of Chamdo, annihilating 4,000 Tibetan troops.

The broadcast said Chinese Communists attacked Chamdo on October 18. One Tibetan unit defected.

One-eyed General Liu Fong-cheng, commander of the invading Chinese forces, called on the Tibetans to lay down arms, as the Peking Government in strengthening China's western frontier and prevent foreign powers from utilizing Tibetan troops for an attack on China. The Reds found two untrained British and two Indian soldiers in Chamdo who were being interrogated.

Chamdo was apparently the last target of the Chinese Communist troops advancing westward from Sikkim Province along the road which leads to the Tibetan capital of Lhasa, 60 airline miles to the southwest.

The radio said troops of the second Field Army "pledged to plant the Red flag on the Himalayas" at a huge mass meeting before their departure from Chungking. Pledges of support from farmers and Government establishments were received by the troops en route.

TIBETAN FIFTH COLUMN
The invading units are well supplied with winter gear, hydrated food, thermos flasks, hats, and raincoats, the broadcast said.

The advancing Reds met with local Communist and 2,000 Tibetans in central Sikkim Province and attended a special ceremony "to herald the beginning of a new era of Tibetan unity," according to the radio. The radio said the invasion of Tibet started on October 7 "upon the invitation of the Tibetan people."

The troops forged across some of the world's most rugged terrain and crossed the upper reaches of the Yangtze, Mekong and Salween rivers, all of which flow in that area. Four days later some units reached the town of Ningtshang where the Tibetan garrison, the Ninth Regiment, defected.

TWO UNITS DESTROYED
On the 19th, the invaders reached Chamdo. The garrison fled, but were encircled and captured. The destroyed units were the Third and the Sixth divisions (small regiments), while the Second, Fourth, Sixth and Seventh are partially destroyed.

The radio said investigations are under way to discover whether British and Indian troops in the Tibetan army, including the Chinese, Indian, Nepalese, and Buddhist units, were to fight the Chinese.

French Stubbornness On Army For Germany

London, Nov. 1.

The Atlantic powers' plan for a unified Western army may have to be shelved temporarily unless France modifies her attitude on German participation, according to authoritative sources.

Vietminh Offensive Checked

Hanoi, Nov. 1.

The Vietminh rebel offensive in Northern Indo-China was today still stalemated around two key French outposts on the Chinese frontier at Laokay and Dinhlap. Reports said that the rebels had not changed their tactics, earlier described by a French spokesman as "an attempt to frighten us out without a fight."

The French were believed to be holding firmly to their positions around the two forts despite pressure from superior rebel forces. Neutral military observers here thought that the Vietminh had enough weight of material to capture the posts but were content for the time being at least to manoeuvre for better positions. These observers, however, felt that the French were unlikely to withdraw further from their frontline positions without a fight. At worst there would be a stiff rear-guard action.—Reuter.

U.S. Relations May Improve With India

New York, Nov. 1.

The Scripps-Howard writer, Ludwell Denny, said today that Communist China's invasion of Tibet may lead to closer cooperation between India and the United States.

First, however, there are several points of friction between the two nations that will have to be settled and this will not be easy, he says. They are: "1. The Indian feeling that the United States let her down in the U.N. consideration of the Kashmir problem."

"2. India's failure to get food, loan and trade agreements with the United States while food is granted to Indo-China and Yugoslavia."

"3. The Indian feeling that Washington is underwriting the corrupt and repressive French colonialism in Indo-China."—United Press.

GREEKS SENT TO EASTERN GERMANY

Berlin, Nov. 1. Seventy Greek youths arrived in Halle, in the Soviet Zone, for a two-year apprenticeship, which will enable them to become industrial workers, the East German news agency, ADN, reported today.

ADN quoted the Greek teacher Sissis, who accompanied the youths, as saying "The young Greeks want to become skilled workers in order to help rebuild their Fatherland, which was destroyed by the Anglo-Americans."

The Greek Military Mission in West Berlin to-day said that the youths were among about 1,000 Greek youngsters living in the Soviet Zone. Efforts to bring them back to their home country have failed so far, a spokesman for the Mission said.

The United Nations Organisation has for the past 18 months tried to locate some 25,000 Greek youths who were reported to have been taken from their parents in the "democratic part of Greece" by the Communists during the civil war.

The 70 youths who have just arrived in Halle are believed to be part of them.—Reuter.

MUNIFICENT GIFT TO HOSPITAL

Mr. Aw Boon Haw, the well-known philanthropist, has donated \$50,000 towards the construction of new wards at the Kwong Wah Hospital. A hall will be named in commemoration of Mr. Aw in the new nurses quarters at Kwong Wah Hospital.

France's proposal for the use of German manpower and material within a western European force has been found "impractical" by the United States, Britain and some European countries, and the present talks by the North Atlantic pact defence ministers are deadlocked over this issue.

Informants said the United States and Britain probably will ask for high-level talks with France in an effort to get her to change her stand. The French conception of a strictly European force with measured German participation "must weaken the plan for an overall Western force under a unified command."

Even the Western European neighbours of Germany gave the French proposal a cool reception, partly because of fear that it would lose the backing of the United States. The United States is considered indispensable to the striking power of any such force, materially as well as psychologically. Western Europe deplores the deadlock among the Atlantic pact nations over the inclusion of Germany in a European army, but obstinacy has been expected. The West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, was the first to react to the Washington deadlock and declared the failure of the West to agree would only help the Communists in Germany.

FRENCH DILEMMA
British officials were not surprised that the French were unable to agree on the German problem or that other Atlantic countries could not accept the supra-national French plan for the creation of a European Ministry of Defence. Politically, the French appear to be in a dilemma at home. Some officials are desirous of reaching some kind of compromise on the German question since they know American participation in the defence of western Europe depends a great deal on this issue. But the French public have not been sufficiently educated to the idea to make the French Government willing to take the first step toward the remilitarisation of Germany.—United Press.

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Congressman's Wife Victim Of Latest Outrage By Huks

Manila, Nov. 1.

A punitive expedition of combat troops was rushed into the area of Capas in Tarlac province today under orders from the National Defence Department to hunt a band of 20 Huks who had ambushed a car carrying Congressman Jose Feliciano of Tarlac and his wife, causing the death of Mrs. Feliciano.

Mrs. Feliciano was burned to death in the car, which was set on fire by the Huks, while the Congressman managed to crawl out of it and escape with only bruises.

Mr. Feliciano is said to be high on the black list of persons whom the Huks want to liquidate, because of his activities against dissidents in Congress and elsewhere.

The Defence Secretary, Mr. Ramon Magaysay, said "The dastardly attack should serve as a warning to people of the danger from the Huks and it will spur the army to fight harder to destroy them." The scene of the attack is 75 miles north of Manila.

COURT REFUSES PLEA

Meanwhile, fourteen alleged members of the Communist Party Politburo in the Philippines, under indictment for rebellion with murder and arson, failed in an attempt to gain their freedom when the Court of the First Instance invoked Presidential suspension of habeas corpus in denying them bail.

The 14 had filed a joint petition to quash the indictment and be allowed bond.

Judge Oscar Castelo upheld the validity of the complaint filed by the prosecutor against the 14, who were among 103 Communist and Huk suspects rounded up in Manila two weeks ago.

Judge Castelo ruled that the proclamation suspending habeas corpus also applied to bail for persons charged with rebellion, sedition and insurrection. The 14 pleaded they will be arraigned this week and their trial is expected to begin next Monday. They also said the general public should be warned.

An Insurance Against War

Lake Success, Nov. 1.

The United States told the United Nations today that the American plan for putting military strength behind the General Assembly was a "good policy of insurance against World War III."

Mr. Foster Dulles made this statement as he opened the General Assembly debate on a proposal to have all countries earmark units of their armed forces for use by the Assembly when the veto prevented Security Council action against an aggressor.

The debate on the measure began after the Assembly had extended for three years Mr. Trygve Lie's term as UN Secretary-General.

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VICTIMS OF ATROCITIES

With the United States First Corps in Korea.

Nov. 1. United States Army officers verified on Wednesday the finding of the bodies of 200 American prisoners of war, many of them atrociously victims of the march north from Seoul.

Colonel Burton Ellis, judge-advocate of the First Corps, said First Cavalry Division officers have information that might lead to the recovery of 200 more bodies believed to be buried along the Taedong river.

United Press.

Dr Lindstrom Granted Divorce

Los Angeles, Nov. 1.

Dr. Peter Lindstrom was granted a divorce today from actress Ingrid Bergman, after testifying that the first he knew of her pregnancy by another man was when he read it in a newspaper.

Dr. Lindstrom told the Judge that he "bought and pleaded" with the Swedish film star to return to him after the war.

He said he fell in love with Roberto Rossellini, producer of the film "Stromboli," of which she was the star.

Rossellini has acknowledged that he is the father of a son born to the actress.

NEW MARKET

Halle, Nov. 1. A new export market for Israel's products will be Kenya, which has placed several orders with Israeli firms.

It is learned here that the Kenyan government has issued four import licenses for goods from Israel.

Associated Press.

"Diggers" On The Way To The Front



Australian troops resting with their kit at the assembly point a few miles north of Seoul as they await transport to take them into North Korea to continue the battle against Communist invaders.

WEDEMEYER'S REPORT TO BE KEPT SECRET

Washington, Nov. 1.

The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, told a press conference today that the United States was deeply concerned over Chinese Communist military moves in Korea and Tibet.

Mr. Acheson also reaffirmed the administration's decision not to make public the contents of the three-year-old Wedemeyer report on China and the Far East.

He vigorously denied charges by the Republican Senator William Knowland, that suppression of the report was a kind of "iron curtain secrecy." He said he had no comment on the Senator's contention of the adverse effects caused by the suppression of the report, prepared by Lieutenant-General Albert Wedemeyer in 1947 when he toured China and Korea.

Reports of Chinese Communist intervention in Korea is a subject of concern to the United States Government, and the United Nations command is investigating the reports of individual Chinese who claim they are part of Chinese Communist units in North Korea.

On the reported Chinese Communist invasion of Tibet, Mr. Acheson said the United States Government regards such a move as unfortunate and unhappy. He said the Government did not know as much about the Tibetan situation as it would like to know.

The Secretary of State predicted that the North Atlantic treaty powers will reach agreement on the use of German forces in European defence, and said the Germans themselves will be consulted for their approval in any final arrangement reached.

PROGRESS MADE

Progress has been made on the whole defence problem at the meetings here of the North Atlantic pact defence ministers. The area of disagreement with France on details of German participation has been exaggerated.

Mr. Acheson said there was full agreement among all Atlantic pact powers on these points:

- (1) The necessity for German contribution to European defence forces.
- (2) There shall be no German general staff or national army as such.
- (3) Germany shall not be allowed to revive its war industries.

The major area of disagreement with the French was on how German forces should be utilized and in what form. It was necessary to consider how the French proposals for a full integrated European army with unified political controls could be made to accord with existing political conditions.

NO HOLD UP

Mr. Acheson insisted that there was no thought of holding up "United States" military assistance funds pending agreement on the German question. The whole idea to get ahead of this problem was to get the defence ministers, who were complex and complete agreement should not be expected in a moment.

Mr. Acheson also contended there was nothing in the American position, on the use of German troops which would hurt the Schuman plan for European economic integration. The two are wholly consistent and the United States is most enthusiastic for the Schuman plan.—United Press.

U.S. Calling Up Naval Reserves

Washington, Nov. 1.

The United States Defence Department announced today plans for the call-up of 31,000 Navy reserve ratings between January and June, 1951.

In addition, 8,000 reserve ratings a month would be called to active duty after July 1 next year, the Department said. But this call-up would be wholly offset by the release each month of 5,000 reserve ratings called to active service, it added.

The announcement said that bearing unforeseen circumstances such as a worsening of the international situation, the number of reserve officers on duty would be reduced next year.

Between October, 1951, and December, 1952, about 1,500 reserve officers would be released each month.—Reuter.



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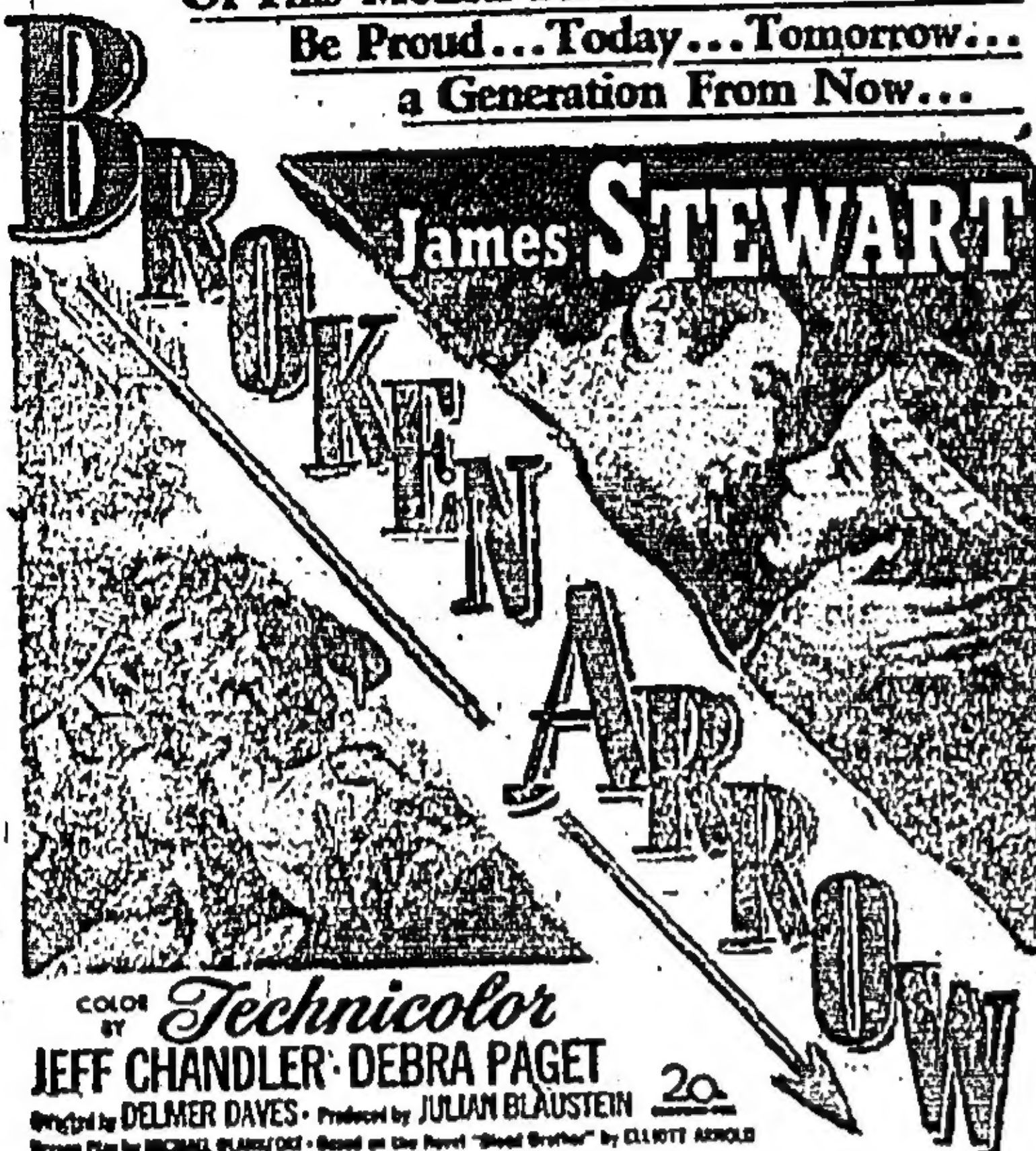
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'Big Sister' To WRAF In Singapore

Formerly a missionary in India, Miss Dorothy Warwick has become the first official "big sister" to the Women's Royal Air Force in the Far East. She has been appointed Chaplain's Assistant in the Far East Air Force.

Based on Singapore Island and working under the guidance of RAF chaplains, Miss Warwick spends most of her time straightening out the private worries and problems of service girls working at the largest RAF Stations on the island, Changi and Seletar.

The RAF authorities realised some time ago that the women's Services presented spiritual and other problems which could best be tackled by women themselves. This led to the establishment at home air force centres of posts for chaplain's assistants. Miss Warwick offered her services, and began her work at RAF Station, Innsworth, Gloucester.

THREE-YEAR "TOUR"

The Far East Air Force was the first RAF overseas Command to establish a chaplain's assistant post. The WRAF in the Command are concentrated on Singapore Island, where Miss Warwick has been posted a three-year "tour."

Broadly speaking, Miss Warwick's work is concerned with anything which affects the spiritual and moral welfare of the WRAF. In addition to her routine duties she undertakes regular visits to WRAF girls in hospital, and is also concerned with the well-being of the wives and children of married airmen.

Miss Warwick began her social welfare work in 1935, when she went to India as a missionary. Returning home in 1944, she worked from 1945 to 1947 in Home Office Approved Schools and early in 1948 began her work with the RAF at Innsworth.

THEY PLEAD FOR THOSE EVICTED

Local authorities throughout Britain who are planning to evict squatters from hut camps will shortly be approached by an organisation formed to "soften the hearts" of councils.

Many local authorities have recently gone to law over the question of squatters who have moved into huts intended for housing families on official waiting lists. Eviction orders have been obtained and some have been carried out.

PROBLEM ACUTE

The problem is acute in the Home Counties.

In the Aldershot district, families of demobilised men have been turned out of married quarters needed for newly posted men.

Near Henley-on-Thames scores of squatters moved into a former Polish camp.

Henley rural council already have turned out some of the squatters.

Now the council have been approached by the organisation.

Captain C. J. Goldsmith, the chairman, told the council: "A certain body with no local weight in the matter have asked us to attend a conference to soften our hearts in this matter."

'KIND' METHODS

"I anticipate, however, that the huts will be in our possession by 'kind' methods by the time the conference comes about."

Major Sheehan, Mayor, the vice-chairman, said: "The body are trying to deal with the problem wherever it arises."

Joining Germany's Civilian Guard



YOUNG GERMANS line up for questioning in Munich before they sign up for training with the city's Civilian Guard, known formerly as the Industry Police. Only single men are taken for the organisation, and some officials urge that the groups be used to train Germans for military duty in case of war in Europe, as is being done in the Soviet Zone. (Acme)

The woman who decided Cripps should retire

by Gwyn Lewis

CHARLIE SMITH, 70 years old, until recently gardener at Sir Stafford Cripps's home in the Cotswold Hills, told me that he knew the twilight had set in over the career of the "Iron Chancellor" when Sir Stafford during his summer holiday did not once ask for his scythe.

For Charlie Smith and the staff at Frith Hill, Sir Stafford's farmhouse home near Stroud, knew in the past that when they saw the Chancellor expertly cutting swathes through the long grass of the orchard all was well with him.

A member of Sir Stafford's family described to me his fight against ill-health. It is a fight that has gone on for something like 38 of Sir Stafford's 61 years of life.

This member of the family who lives in a neighbouring village told me first of all how the dramatic decision to retire was made.

"About a year had passed since he last visited Dr Dagnar Lechli, the Swiss woman doctor in whom he has enormous faith. He decided that the time had come to put the issue plainly to her and accept her verdict—resign or carry on."

TIED MAN

"I WENT with him for this last check-up. He set off for the Brecher Beimer Institute, Zurich, feeling fit."

"His visit was not prompted by any sudden recurrence of his painful stomach disorder. He was merely anxious about the future."

"The doctor examined him. I will not relate all that passed between Sir Stafford and I after that examination, but from that moment it was settled that he would have to retire for a time from public life."

"A confidential letter was immediately sent home."

"We went on to San Vigilio in Italy, where on the shores of Lake Garda he took up his new hobby, painting."

"He did not catch a cold as some newspapers have stated but suffered another of his attacks of colitis."

"He came home a tired man, but I put that down to our wearying 24 hours of travel by train and boat. The attack of colitis, as far as I could judge, had subsided."

HIDES PAIN

"BUT Sir Stafford has developed an ability to conceal from those around him the fact that he is in pain. We can never be certain when he is feeling well or when he is ill."

"We have always thought it tactful never to bother him with tatty inquiries about his health."

"The nature of his illness is a mystery that puzzled not only the doctors but his own family. It has been said that he suffers from amoebic dysentery. That is not true, though in the 1914-18 war he did contract an intestinal disorder which seems to have recurred ever since."

"Yet if you ask me to give his illness a precise medical name I cannot."

"Fifteen years ago he announced to us that henceforward he would not regard meat, fish, or fowl as 'edible substances'."

"That was his own description. He has been a vegetarian ever since."

DRINKS LITTLE

"HIS favourite breakfast is a mixture of milk, uncooked oatmeal, and grated uncooked apples or other fruit. This dish is called 'muesli'."

"He drinks tea and coffee sparingly and little part in his diet. He never touches stimulants, and years ago gave up pipe smoking."

I asked whether Sir Stafford ever tired of his restricted diet, whether he did not yearn at times for a plate of "edible substances."

"Good heavens, no," was the reply. "He enjoys his vegetarian meals."

Sir Stafford sleeps without the aid of drugs. His avoidance of them even when pain keeps him awake is part of his spartan regime.

EARLY RISER

HE retires early, usually not later than 9.30 p.m., and is an early riser. I was told: "When he has much work on hand and feels fit he is up before five in the morning going through his papers."

"Then he likes to take a walk of anything up to three miles before breakfast."

In the early stages of his treatment Sir Stafford was advised that he would have to pay more attention to posture. Nowadays, whenever he sits, lies down, or goes walking, he does so in a manner prescribed by experts.

Another member of the Cripps family said to me: "Sir Stafford has given much thought over a long period of time to mastering the art of relaxation. He felt that there lay the secret of making his illness bearable."

"He has discovered that the secret to a greater extent, than have most men of his age, carrying heavy responsibilities."

CARPENTRY

FOR a time he found relaxation in carpentry. He made a table, fender stools, and other furniture which is in daily use at Frith Hill.

When he spent a month at Frith Hill, before making his decisive journey to Switzerland most of his time was spent resting and playing in his flower-filled garden with his grandchildren, of whom he has seven.

Shortly after his illness in the 1914-18 war he was put in charge of the castings work at a munitions plant in Cheshire.

Rabbit Is Britain's No. 1 Pest

Abundance of root crops after a wet summer has made the rabbit Britain's No. 1 pest. The National Farmers' Union have issued an appeal for landowners to be held responsible for the control of rabbits on their property.

Newbury (Berkshire) branch went further, and urged that farmers and landowners should be fined if they allowed rabbits in their fields and woodlands.

"If the presence of these vermin is eventually recognized as an offence punishable by fine or imprisonment on the landowner, a new outlook on the country's poaching laws will be necessary," one Newbury farmer said.

STILL FINED

"Countrymen are still being fined, often heavily, for poaching rabbits. They are doing no more than helping to limit a dangerous pest and augment their small meat ration."

"Our idea is that all farmers should be given a date by which their land must be free of rabbits. After that the presence of rabbits would be an offence. The Ministry of Agriculture would no doubt help in a battle on the vermin."

THE FOUR BROTHERS CAMPBELL

Wherever great tunnels have to be bored through the Scottish mountains there you will find the four brothers Campbell working together, up to 12 hours a day with the acid dust and the fumes of gellignite constantly in their nostrils.

They are Andy, Barney, Paddy and Colin, who are now accompanied by Andy's 20-year-old son, Jim. They have just finished a four years' task of the hydro-electric scheme tunnel at Pitlochry. Now they are starting at the Errochty tunnel with another four years' work ahead of them.

Andy has had 25 years of life, only seeing his wife, family occasionally in a year. He has lived in huts in the wilds, roughing it winter and summer. Why? attraction is the pay, for tunnelling, the harder you work the more you earn—and it appears to be no limit.

As tunnel foreman, Andy earns £25 a week in wages bonus. A shift boss can earn over £20, a driller £15, a labourer £10.

When the pressure is wages "sop". In the closing stages of cementing the 24 ft high Pitlochry tunnel, one actually earned £52.10s. one week. About £30 the week was a good average for most of the others. And tunnel have known their labourer maker to come out with £1 for a week's work.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



FERD'NAND



No Luck



By Milk

WOMANSENSE

Finding that in hats, too, it's better than the old days



A small, head-hugging felt in glowing colours or black. Barbara wears it because... it stays put on a windy day, the style fits most sorts of hair-do, it's all her school hat never was.

BARBARA DAVIES — the just 10-year-old "YOUNG-TIMER" — finds out what's new and smartest for other youngsters in buying their autumn hats.

Yes, it's not only the clothes for the under-20's that are getting smarter. Hats, too, are much prettier.

The people who make them seem to have had a change of heart. This season's hats are designed with the youngsters in mind. And that doesn't mean the traditional pork-pie style, trimmed with a dismal feather (you know the kind, worn straight for family outings; on one side for gayer occasions). The new shapes are basically simple; basically bright.



The new way to put on the plainest hat of all. Barbara wears it because... they like it tipped that way in Paris now, it's smart enough to wear anywhere, it's made in sleek black velvet. Price one guinea.

Trimming Strikes A New Note

Trimming details strike a new note in hand-knit collections of suits and dresses in New York. Velvet, braid and silk ribbon accents are three types that look particularly interesting. Most frequently, designers use them as finishing touches to basic silhouettes in wool-nub and silk ribbon at collars, pocket flaps, etc.

Designers look to the brown family as one of the top colour ranges for Autumn, mentioning beige, cinnamon, burnt orange and milk brown especially. They agree on dark gray too—elephant gray or slate gray, specifically, to keep up with the charcoal group. In addition, some mention the wine to plum group; emerald green and mossy or olive greens; and warm, but not too bright gold.

Although basic one and two-piece silhouettes make up the great majority in each collection, there are a few notable 1930 design touches: Low-hipline pocket flaps to suggest a long-torso silhouette, for example, and horseshoe necklines. The low-neckline types, and more in lace or metallic knits, offer opportunities to sell beautiful dressy hand-knits, as well as basics.

Decorative Silk Ribbon

Silk ribbon, knitted-in as a decorative accent to knitted suits and dresses, gives a new and individual look to some autumn hand-knits. A one-piece dress of nubby wool, for example, is horizontally striped all the way down by the use of silk ribbon in two contrasting colours.

Ribbon is also used for tiny, all-over motifs, as in the short-sleeved suit jacket which matches a silk skirt with simulated fly-front effect—another new style point here. Buttons are hand-worked in silk, too.

Suits and dresses, hand-crocheted in silk ribbon, are light-weight and luxurious-looking for autumn. A one-piece ribbon dress has solid-coloured, off-the-shoulder top with striking, multicoloured four-core skirt which begins at the hip-line.

Intertwined cables are a favourite novelty stitch here, in addition to lace stitches to outline low, scooped necklines. Many of the skirts have interesting ribbed effects which make them look pleated or flared. There are unmounted sleeves as well as set-in types.

TREATING COMMON LEG CRAMPS

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

OLDER people, as well as pregnant women, often suffer from cramps in the legs, particularly during the night. The condition is not dangerous but it is very distressing because of the pain and because it so often disturbs sleep.

Beyond the well-founded belief that these muscle cramps are due to some disturbance in the circulation, we do not know much about their cause. In pregnant women they are, perhaps, due to strain on the calf muscles.

Use of Quinine
Various forms of treatment have been employed to prevent these cramps. One which has been found successful is the use of quinine or quinaldine.

GADGET

discovered by JOAN DALE



You save wardrobe space with this metal hanger. Seven short garments can be hung separately in the space normally occupied by one coat hanger. (See p. 14.)

FURRLY SPEAKING

NEW YORK

When it comes to fur, the fashion designers and furriers have the same opinion. Fur is the only material that can be made to look like fur. It is the only material that can be made to look like fur. It is the only material that can be made to look like fur.

REQUEST RECIPE

Casserole of Chicken

(For 4. Preparation and cooking time about 1 hour)

BUY two grilling chickens. Sprinkle inside and out with salt and pepper, brush with melted butter, place (breasts up) in a casserole and brown in a fairly hot oven. Turn over on their breasts, put a nice big walnut of butter in a heated egg yolk blended with 2-3 tablespoonsful of milk or evaporated milk.

Fifteen minutes before the chickens are ready, bring to the boil $\frac{1}{4}$ pint stock from the necks and giblets, the juice of $\frac{1}{2}$ lemon, teaspoonful salt and a walnut of butter. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. washed unpeeled button mushrooms (stems cut off level with them), cover tightly and cook rapidly for 4-5 minutes.

Five minutes before the chickens are taken from the oven, add the cooked mushrooms. Add the mushroom stock to the casserole, then stir in a beaten egg yolk blended with 2-3 tablespoonsful of milk or evaporated milk.

Use kitchen scissors to cut the chickens down through the back and breast bones. Garnish with water-cress. Serve with tiny potatoes, first par-boiled then lightly browned in butter, and French or runner beans. Pass the sauce separately. —HELEN BURKE.

—(London Express Service)

—(London Express Service)



Your Sewing Scrapbook

by Mary Brooks Picken

Dress Up Your Table For Every-Day Dining

NO matter what dress up your table. Make it pretty, even if it is a card table or a dinette counter—have it cheerful. It can be and for little cost and less effort.

If there are children and laundry is a problem, buy a pretty piece of chintz, cretonne or percale—one with colours that will flatter your dishes and make them look prettier, if possible, than they are. Hem the ends and the sides if selvages are marked, using $\frac{1}{4}$ hems.

Clear Plastic Cloth

Buy, for very little, a length of clear plastic cloth to go over this colourful base. All you need do is wipe the plastic carefully after each meal with a damp then a dry cloth, and you can have, with little effort, a nice party-like cloth with no laundry—one that you and your family are sure to enjoy.

If your table surface is nice, buy remnants of pretty, colourful fabrics and make place mats 13" x 18". Make a narrow hem on all four edges of each, doing this by hand or machine; or stitch rick-rack easy on all edges—this so it cannot tighten; just let points peep out a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Over Fabric Mat

Cut a clear plastic fabric mat for use over each colourful

woven fabric mat. You will be delighted with the laundry this saves, to say nothing of the attractive effects you can get.

If you have tiny worn damask cloths or faded ones, tint them a pretty colour. The plastic fabric will subdue colour somewhat, so don't be afraid to tint.

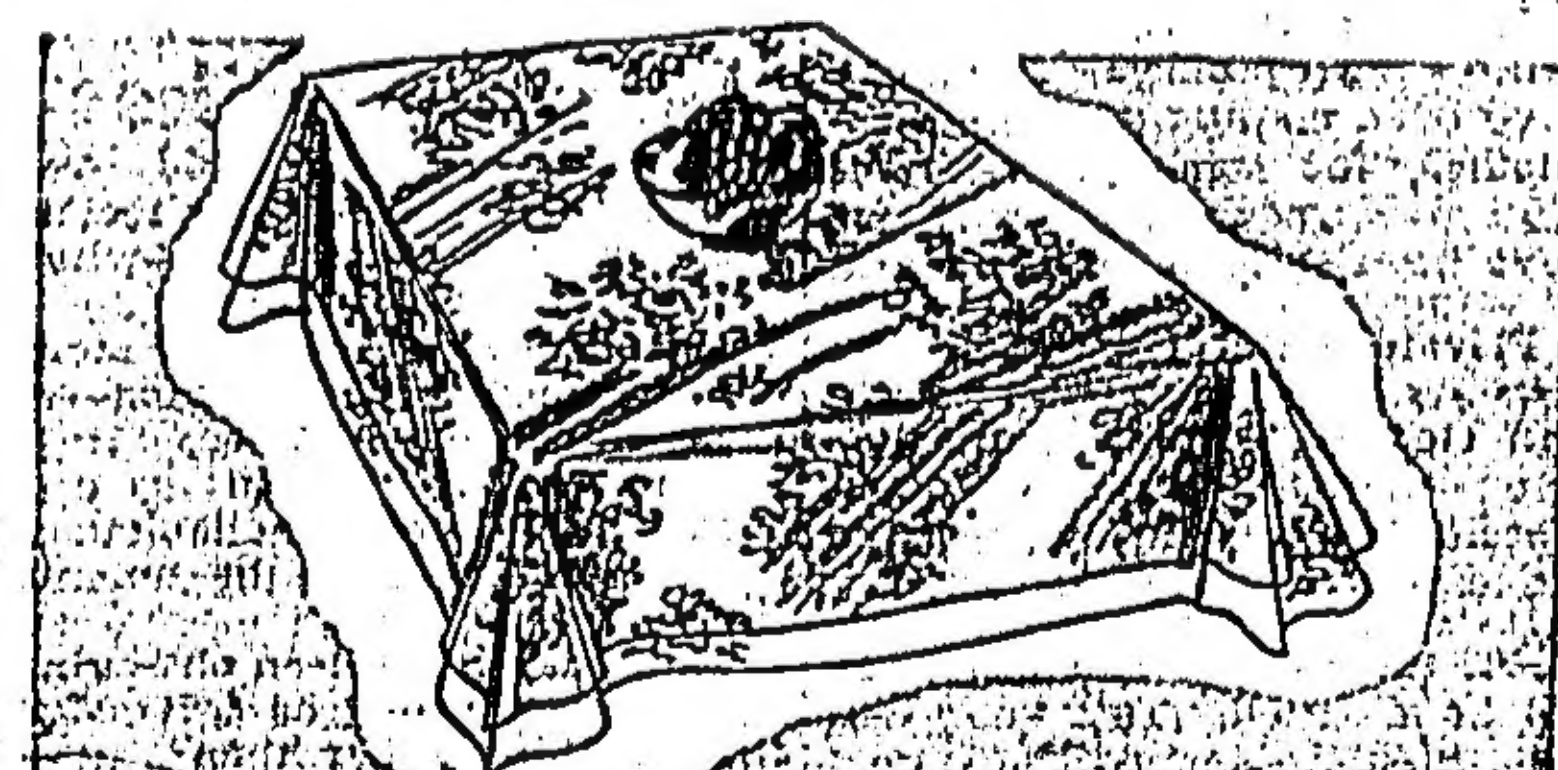
In this way, get a new colour scheme that harmonises with your dishes or glassware and surprise the family with something that costs little, but that adds cheer and makes for compliments to you and relieves monotony for all.

With Nice Linens

Plastic fabric over cloths is good to use with nice linens that have grown thin in washing, or with valued ones that require too much time to iron. Don't let your good linens lie unused. Get them out. Let the family enjoy them, but get clear plastic help, so you and your time will be saved in the process.

A little precaution in cutting plastic is to "true" edges with yardstick, making a line with pencil, then pinching or cutting on the pencil line.

Some like to go festive by putting a 2 1/4" pinked ruffle of plastic fabric all around the cloth, gathering 1/4" from top edge to provide a heading.



TOMORROW: DRESS-UP NYLON VELVET BAG

Names In Perfumes Don't Mean A Thing

THE REASON that you may adore a certain perfume manufacturer's violet or lily-of-the-valley fragrance, and find another's uninteresting or even unpleasant—is due to the fact that fragrances must be built.

When a fragrance is labelled that of a single flower—violet, or lily-of-the-valley, for instance—it means that there is one flower note predominant.

It does not mean that the perfume has merely taken some lily-of-the-valley or violet oil, added alcohol, water, and bottled the liquid and put it on the market.

two of the three, plus a number of other ingredients. Hence, one perfume's "violet" delights you, while another's, which is someone else's choice, leaves you cold.

One perfume's formula for lily-of-the-valley contains violet leaves, jasmine, narcissus and musk, plus the inevitable rose and about twenty other ingredients... and it's unmistakably lily-of-the-valley when you sniff its fragrance.

Charming Versions Of The Slim Silhouette

Charming versions of autumn, slim-lined fashions are featured in New York houses. The straighter skirt line, quality fabrics and the important ensemble are highlights of the new collection.

LOW PLACED SKIRT FULLNESS is one way to the slim skirt line with godets set in above the knee for a pretty flare. Other skirt tricks are the low released pleats at the back of skirts or gored back suit-skirts and dresses, tight wraparound lines and almond shaped over-skirts. The bib neckline, both filled in with contrast or outlined in braid or beads and the low rounded rever are signature necklines this season.

ENSEMBLES... for daytime the sheer wools uncover to show beautiful detailed one-piece dresses—some with contrast fabric bodices. Two-piece suits often feature a version of the low rounded neckline and are filled in with satin, velvet or taffeta. Jacket effects, fitted waist defining jackets are the rule.

Outstanding in the ensemble is a one-piece wool lace top—sheer wool skirt dress and matching wool jacket—very elegant and lovely. Luxury fabrics are used for suits as well as costumes—velvet, yarn dyed silk repps, fine broadcloth.

DRESSES... Slim coat dresses of water weight wool with easy lines and a single back pleat or a worsted jersey with neckline beauty by way of a scarf-drape look very good in the wool group. The scarf-drape dress is repeated in crepe and looks like one of the new looking success dresses on the line. Slim, apron skirted or wraparound dresses of crepe are touched with satin or taffeta as well as discreet beading and braid.

FOR EVENING... the lovely Chantilly laces are well worked in combination with crepe. Many wearable dinner gown styles and one an interesting use of fringe tabs all over a sheath like white crepe. Beading fringe is well liked on many of these dresses.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Visit From Chirpie Sparrow

—He Tells All About His Fishing Trip—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, heard a noise on the window-sill outside the playroom. It was Chirpie Sparrow hopping about and eating the bread crumbs which had been put out for him. He looked up when he saw Knarf and Hanid.

"Hi! Nice to see you!" "Nice to see you Chirpie!" said Hanid. "Where were you since yesterday?" Knarf asked. "We looked all over for you. We couldn't find you anywhere." Chirpie ate two or three more of the largest crumbs before he answered. "I was fishing with a friend of mine," he finally said. Hanid and Knarf both looked surprised to hear this. They at once told Chirpie that they wished he would tell them more about his fishing expedition.

Pole and Line

"Did you go fishing with a pole and a line, and a hook—and with worms?" Knarf wanted to know. Chirpie shook his head. "We didn't need them. Ah!" he said suddenly as he glanced around. "Here comes my friend that I went fishing with. He'll tell you all about it."

The next moment a black and white feathered bird, very sharp and pert, with a long bill alighted on the window-sill. "This is my friend King-fisher," said Chirpie. "Howdy, howdy," said King-fisher, waving his leg around and holding it up as though he expected Knarf and Hanid to shake it. They finally did because they didn't want him to feel insulted. Then he poked his bill at the bread crumbs lying on the window-sill. "What 'hose' things?" he asked Chirpie.



Chirpie's friend the Kingfisher.

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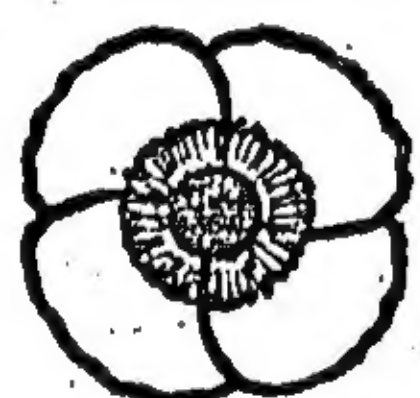
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REMEMBRANCE DAY

Remembrance Day is dedicated to those in the Services who fought so gallantly and endured so much between 1914/18 and 1939/45. It is also an occasion when Britons in distant parts of the Empire and foreign lands turn their thoughts to the Mother Country and feel that they share that great tradition which she has created and so splendidly maintained throughout the centuries.

It is now more necessary than ever before to secure your generous support for Earl Haig's Fund for the Disabled of the two World Wars. Their need is great, and the Committee of the British Legion feel that you would wish to be prominently identified in the endeavour to alleviate the distress of so noble a band of physical sufferers.

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IS ANOTHER WORLD WATCHING US?

Continuing the first authentic, detailed report about the Flying Saucers, the first instalment of which began in the China Mail yesterday, Gerald Heard, British science writer of world repute, tells today the story of an astonishing tragedy—the story of the only man in all the world who had come almost near enough to touch the fringe of the mystery of the strange objects ranging the skies.

tious, let us say it seemed to need to see.

But the light that came from the cabin surely would make anyone inside incapable of seeing anything outside even in the daylight, let alone at night. For this fore-port glared as though someone were burning magnesium flares inside.

Nor was that all. Right along the side of this fish-like monster that swam the air, all down its length, as down the sides of some of those deep-sea monster-fishes that live in total dark, ran a vivid purplish band of glowing light.

By Gerald Heard

CAPTAIN C. S. CHILES was with his first officer, J. B. Whitted. They were flying a passenger plane up from Houston, Texas. The officers were on the staff of Eastern Airlines Incorporated. And both had long records in war and peace.

The plane left at half-past eight on July 23, 1948. At 2.45 a.m. there was a good moon coming through some broken cloud. On to this well-lit, quiet scene suddenly a brilliant super-giant torpedo dashed toward the Eastern Airlines ship.

Both the flying officers saw it. It was coming straight down the air traffic lane they were on. But it was a bit above them. Then it suddenly swooped down. Captain Chiles swung his plane violently to the left. Fortunately the monster veered as sharply, too, to the right, and they rushed past each other.

The pilots stared as the object flew past only some 700 feet away. It was close enough for them to see that it had no wings!

Alarming

About 100 feet long, this cigar-shaped body was sinister enough. But its lighting seemed even more baleful. It had a fore-cabin or look-out port. So it was evidently a "manned" or inhabited object—or, to be still more cau-

Thirdly, to complete its uncanny illuminations, there spouted from the back of the hull an orange flame which, as it fanned out, spreading in a tall, turned into a more delicate yellow.

Pretty, no doubt, but also more than a trifle alarming when seen so close. For this great fan of flame was half as long again as the 100-foot craft that spouted it.

Windows

A lifelike, if not a human, touch was given by two rows of windows. But in the moment that they flashed by the two pilots did not see any faces pressed against the panes watching them as they, two astounded humans, watched this outrage on common sense as well as common security.

But some guiding intelligence, and one not unaware of peril and indeed, wishful to avoid disaster, was in control of this great shaft of speeding force. And "he" was as skilful as he was—if a little late in the day—considerate.

His way of doing so nevertheless did not cease to be alarming. Indeed increasingly so. This fluke-less black whale of the upper air suddenly doubled its really awful fan-tail of flame. This gave the whole craft a kick as though shot from a gun and the entire ship shot up like an arrow and plunged into the clouds above. The pilots hadn't merely "do" trust their four eyes for this manoeuvre. Seeing is believing, but feeling is knowing.

As their momentary and very unsettling companion took his

leave, his leap into the upper sky gave such a "wash" to the air that the passenger plane the two pilots were riding gave a very confirmatory and at the same time very unsettling rock-over.

Captain Chiles rightly at once went into the passenger part of the ship, leaving his second officer to fly the craft. He must find out if anyone else saw what they had seen.

Of course, it was the dead-hour of the night, a quarter to three a.m. But one passenger, a Mr McKelvie, did see the light rush past close to them. And he did note that it was a light unlike any light he had seen.

Tracking the

story—it was found that about 2 a.m. that morning, air observers at the flying field of the city of Macon in Georgia had seen rushing overhead a long, dark wingless tube of a flying object that evidently "hurled" itself along through this flame that spouted from the stern.

The Navy authorities suggested as their contribution to the discussion "What in heaven's name was that?"—well, it might be one of the super-rockets which everyone knew are being experimented with in New Mexico.

But could a rocket that had strayed, wander over so much of the United States on its own? And surely even the most self-guided missile could hardly prove as obligingly considerate, and willing and able to yield right of way, as this super-torpedo showed itself to be?

What we can ask, with more chance of getting an answer, is—Had any report of any sort come to hand of this "new" type of unknown flier—a non-disc? The answer to that is Yes.

A big, wingless shaft of a thing like a log in a stream, plunged across the traffic lane

and the Eighth Army, conscious that the eye was upon them, played up accordingly, with results memorable in history.

Anyone but an official historian will continue to believe that it was victories that created the headlines, not headlines the victories.

It will sell . . .

ALTOGETHER, there is a queer air of unreality about this book. Why is the Singapore debacle ignored if this is a genuine Army history?

The excellent, impartial United States official histories have been coming out, one after another, for some years. It is hard to understand why we have been so slow off the mark.

Private enterprise publishers gave us long ago, Cyril Falls' and General Fuller's authoritative British histories (not mercifully, official) when the public were really interested.

But the Stationery Office need not be alarmed. This book will sell to the Army Educational Corps, which will no doubt make a text-book of it, and to every regimental library.

But not, I fancy, to the "self-conscious, class-conscious" ex-Servicemen who manned the tanks and guns which the clever generals in Whitehall provided.

—(London Express Service)

By Robert Jessel



KENNETH ARNOLD
who first saw the
discs at Boise, Idaho.

This unique picture of a flying disc was taken by William Rhodes of Phoenix, Arizona, on July 9, 1947. He described it as 'like a rubber heel with a small hole in the middle.' The back of the heel acted as the prow.

being pursued at Bethel, Alabama, by two airmen working for a local Alabama, flying service. But this seemed to have no glow and not even a wake.

The two men tried to follow, but of course it out-paced them—they were trotting along at under 200 m.p.h.

That was in August 1947, quite at the start of the excitement. And to start 1948 well, on the first of January a "ship" of the same cut showed up over the other Southern State of Mississippi.

Again a couple of fliers saw it from their plane and tried to follow. But just by doubling its pace, almost at a bound, as usual, it got away giving nothing away.

This time people on the ground saw it too. Fortunately at this point, too, we get something like what opticians call "binocular vision"—that is to say we get a report from far outside the United States and from one of the most down-to-earth and worldly-wise communities in the world—the world from Holland.

In July 1948, a few days before Captain Chiles' and his colleagues had their experience, a wingless sky-charger, straight as a pole, but showing lines of windows or ports, had rushed across the Netherlands, very fast, very high, said the astounded Dutchmen.

Straight tube

In all this confusion of really too much evidence we can begin to sort out the findings.

First and foremost we can be sure that while there may be many different kinds of discs, there are also riding the upper air, yes and perhaps riding above and beyond the upper air, "genus"—this long, straight tube of a thing.

Now, we may raise the other question which we naturally have all been asking. "Surely someone could grapple with this kind of trespasser?"

It is precisely because someone did try to grapple with one of these "things," it is precisely because the "thing" he tried to grapple with was still odder, more monstrous than either of the other two so far sighted, that tragedy for the first time stepped into the story.

What had been odd became sinister and grim.

Death strikes

The New Year of 1948 was only a week old—the second year of the Disc Era—when death took its first toll.

Before we go into that story let us remember one thing of great importance. These "trespassers"—if we should so call them—have been meticulously careful "to observe" the amenities.

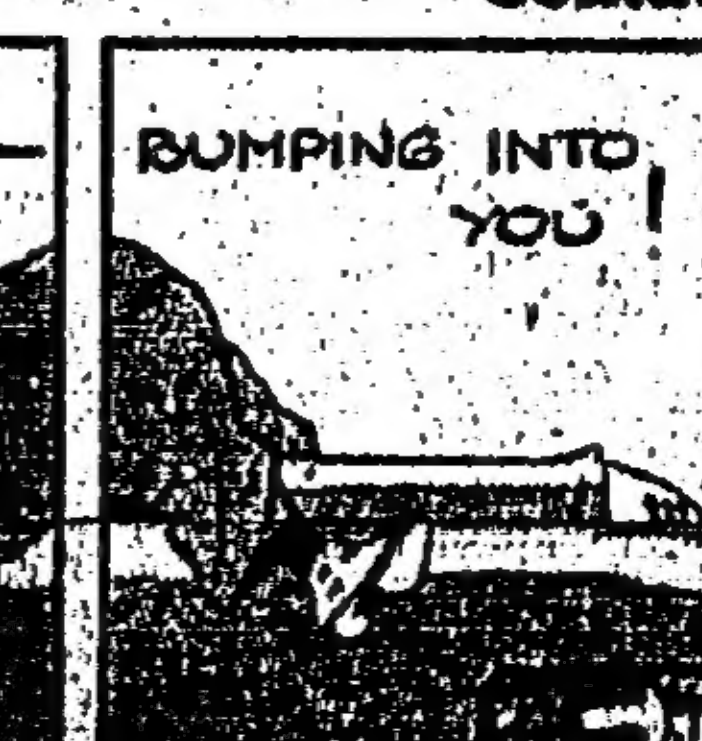
They may have been observing us—or even may be interested in something other than us—but certainly they have not pressed their curiosity to any important lengths.

There is no evidence that they have ever made any nation toward landing. Though one or two not very good reports say they did come near the ground, they certainly took care to do so when no one was about who might object.

They have always tried to get out of the way. It is of the utmost importance we should never forget that.

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CHAPTER 2:

THE JAPANESE ONSLAUGHT AND RETREAT IN MALAYA

It is at least arguable whether it would not have been better to concentrate all our strength on defending Singapore Island, merely containing Japanese advance down the Malay peninsula with light mobile forces. The decision of the commanders on the spot, which I approved, was to fight the battle for Singapore in Johore, but to delay the enemy's approach thereto as much as possible.

The defence of the mainland consisted of a continuous retreat, with heavy rearguard actions and stubborn props. The fighting reflects high credit on the troops and commanders engaged. It drew in itself, however, nearly all the reinforcements placed as they arrived. Every advantage lay with the enemy. There had been minute pre-war study of the ground and conditions. Careful large-scale plans and secret infiltration of agents, including even hidden reserves of bicycles for Japanese cyclists, had been made. Superior strength and large reserves, some of which were not needed, had been assembled. All the Japanese divisions were adept in jungle warfare.

Mastery of air

The Japanese mastery of the air arising from our bitter needs elsewhere, and for which the local commanders were in no way responsible, was another deadly fact. In the result the main fighting strength of such an army as we had assigned to the defence of Singapore, and almost all the reinforcements sent after the Japanese declaration of war, were used up in gallant fighting on the peninsula, and when these had crossed the causeway to what should have been their supreme battleground their punch was gone.

They rejoined the local commanders and the masses of troops which swelled our ranks, though not our strength. There remained the 10th Division, newly landed from ships at Singapore and in the air, and the 11th Division, which had been sent to the island.

objective in this theatre was dissipated before the Japanese attack began. It might be a hundred thousand men; but it was an army no more.

Wavell's doubts

It soon became clear that Gen. Wavell had already doubts of our ability to maintain a prolonged defence of Singapore. I had counted upon the island and fortress standing a siege requiring heavy artillery to be landed, transported, and mounted by the Japanese. Before I left Washington I still contemplated a resistance of at least two months. In order to make sure about the landward defences, which hitherto I had taken for granted, and the preparation for standing a siege, I sent the following telegram:

Prime Minister (Washington) to Gen. Wavell, Jan. 15, 1942. Please let me know your idea of what would happen in event of your being forced to withdraw into the island.

How many troops would be needed to defend this area? What means are there of stopping landings as were made in Hongkong? What are defences and obstructions on landward side? Are you sure you can dominate with fortress cannon any attempt to plant siege batteries? Is everything being prepared, and what has been done about the useless mouth? It has always seemed to me that the vital need is to prolong the defence of the island to last possible minute, but of course I hope it will not come to this.

Everyone here is very pleased with the telegrams you have sent, which give us all the feeling how buoyantly and speciously you are grappling with your tremendous task. All the Americans seem to have the same confidence in you as have your British friends.

Wavell's reply to this message did not reach me till after my return to London.

Painful surprise

Gen. Wavell to Prime Minister, Jan. 16, 1942. I discussed the defence of Singapore when recently at Singapore and have been deeply shocked and surprised to find that the Japanese had been so successful in their attack.

In Johore or farther north, and little or nothing was done to construct defences on north side of island to prevent crossing Johore Straits, though arrangements have been made to blow up the causeway.

Fortress cannon of heaviest nature have all-round traverse, but their flat trajectory makes them unsuitable for counter-battery work. Could certainly not guarantee to dominate enemy siege batteries with them. Supply situation satisfactory. Have already authorised removal of certain Air Force establishments and stores to Sumatra and Java to prevent congestion. Will cable further when I receive detailed plans. Much will depend on air situation.

It was with feelings of painful surprise that I read this message on the morning of the 19th. So there were no permanent fortifications covering the landward side of the island and of the city! Moreover, even more astounding, no measures worth speaking of had been taken by any of the commanders since the war began, and more especially since the Japanese had established themselves in Indo-China, to construct field defences. They had not even mentioned the fact that they did not exist.

Field defences

All that I had seen or read of war had led me to the conviction that having regard to modern fire-power a few weeks will suffice to create strong field defences, and also to limit and canalise the enemy's front of attack by minefields and other obstructions. Moreover, it had never entered into my head that no circle of detached forts of a permanent character protected the rear of the famous fortress. I cannot understand how it was I did not know this. But none of the officers on the spot and none of my professional advisers at home seem to have realised this awful need.

At any rate, none of them pointed it out to me—not even those who saw my telegrams based upon the false assumption that a regular siege would be required.

I had read of Plevna in 1877, where before the era of machine-guns defences had been improvised by the Turks in the actual work of the Russian army, and I had assumed that

forfe had one year earlier made so glorious a record, I had put my faith in the enemy being compelled to use artillery on a very large scale in order to pulverise our strong points at Singapore, and in the almost prohibitive difficulties and long delays which would impede such an artillery concentration and gathering of ammunition along Malayan communications.

Various reasons

Now, suddenly, all this vanished away and I saw before me the hideous spectacle of the almost naked island and of the wearied, if not exhausted, troops retreating upon it. I do not write this in any way to excuse myself. I ought to have known. My advisers ought to have known and I ought to have been told, and I ought to have asked about this matter, and the thousands of questions I put, was that the possibility of Singapore having no landward defences no more entered into my mind than that of a battleship being launched without a bottom.

I am aware of the various reasons that have been given for this failure: the preoccupation of the troops in training and in building defence works in Northern Malaya; the shortage of civilian labour; pre-war financial limitations and centralised War Office control; the fact that the Army's role was to protect the naval base, situated on the north shore of the island and that it was therefore their duty to fight in front of that shore and not along it. I do not consider these reasons valid. Defences should have been built. My immediate reaction was to repair the neglect so far as time allowed. I at once dictated the following minute:

Prime Minister to Gen. Ismay, for C.O.S. Committee, Jan. 10, 1942.

Let a plan be made at once to do the best possible

Schemes are now being prepared for defence northern part of island. Number of troops required to hold island effectively probably are great or greater than number required to defend Johore. I have ordered Percival to fight out the battle in Johore, but to work out plans to prolong resistance on island as long as possible should he lose Johore battle.

I must warn you however that I doubt whether island can be held for long once Johore is lost. [The] fortress guns [are] sited for use against ships, and have mostly ammunition for that purpose only; many can only fire seawards. Part of garrison has already been sent into Johore, and many troops remaining are of doubtful value. I am sorry to give you depressing picture, but I do not want you to have false picture of island fortress. Singapore defences were constructed entirely to meet seaward attack. I still hope Johore may be held till next convoy arrives.

All suffered

I pondered over Wavell's telegram of the 19th for a long time. So far I had thought only of animating and, as far as possible, compelling the desperate defence of the island, the fortress, and the city, and this in any case was the attitude which should be maintained unless a decisive change of policy was ordered. But now I began to think more of Burma and of the reinforcements on the way to Singapore. These could be doomed or diverted. There was still ample time to turn their prowess northward to Rangoon. I therefore prepared the following minute to the Chiefs of Staff, and gave it to Gen. Ismay in time for their meeting at 11.30 a.m. on the 21st. I confess freely however that my mind was not made up. I leaned upon my friends and counsellors. We all suffered extremely at this time.

Prime Minister to Gen. Ismay, for C.O.S. Committee, Jan. 21, 1942. In view of this very bad telegram from Gen. Wavell, we must reconsider the whole position at a Defence Committee meeting tonight.

His message gives little hope for a prolonged defence. It is evident that such defence would be only at the cost of all the reinforcements now on the way. If Gen. Wavell is doubtful whether more than a few weeks' delay can be obtained, the question arises whether we should not at once blow the docks and batteries and workshops to pieces and concentrate everything on the defence of Burma and keeping open the Burma Road.

Very grievous

It appears to me that this question should be squarely faced now and put bluntly to Gen. Wavell. What is the value of Singapore [to the enemy] above the many harbours in the South-West Pacific? If all naval and military demotions are thoroughly carried out? On the other hand, the loss of Burma would be very grievous. It would cut us off from the Chinese, whose troops have been the most successful of the Japanese engaged against the Japanese.

We may, by muddling things and hesitating to take an ugly decision, lose both Singapore and the Burma Road. Obviously the decision depends upon how long the defence of Singapore island can be maintained. If it is only for a few weeks, it is certainly not worth losing all our reinforcements and aircraft.

Moreover, one must consider that the fall of Singapore, accompanied as it will be by a tremendous shock to British, which only the arrival of powerful forces and successful action on the Burma front can sustain. Pray let all this be considered this morning.

No conclusion

The Chiefs of Staff reached no definite conclusion, and when we met in the evening at the Defence Committee a similar hesitation to commit ourselves to any grave step prevailed. The decision was postponed to the next morning.

difficult that I did not press my view, which I should have done if I had been resolved. We could none of us foresee the collapse of the defence which was to occur in less than three weeks. A day or two could at least be spared for further thought.

Sir Earle Page, the Australian Representative, did not of course attend the Chiefs of Staff Committee, nor did I invite him to the Defence Committee. By some means or other he was shown a copy of my minute to the Chiefs of Staff. He immediately telegraphed to his Government, and on Jan. 24 we received the following message from Mr. Curtin which contained a severe reproach.

Severe reproach

Mr. Curtin to Prime Minister, Jan. 23, 1942. I am communicating the following message as the result of an emergency meeting of the War Cabinet summoned today to consider reports on the situation in Malaya.

Page has reported that the Defence Committee has been considering the evacuation of Malaya and Singapore. After all the assurances we have been given the evacuation of Singapore would be regarded here as excusable betrayal. Singapore is a central fortress in the system of the Empire and local defence. As stated in my telegram, we understand that it was to be made impregnable, and in any event it was to be capable of holding out for a prolonged period until the arrival of the main fleet.

Even in an emergency diversion of reinforcements should be to the Netherlands East Indies and not Burma. Anything else would be deeply resented and might force the Netherlands East Indies to make a separate peace.

On the faith of the proposed flow of reinforcements, we have acted and carried out our part of the bargain. We expect you not to frustrate the whole purpose by evacuation.

The trend of the situation in Malaya and the attack on Rabaul are giving rise to a public feeling of grave uneasiness at Allied impotence to do anything to stem the Japanese advance. The Government in realising its responsibility to prepare public for the possibility of resisting an aggressor, also has a duty and obligation to explain why it may not have been possible to prevent the enemy reaching our shores.

In duty bound

It is therefore in duty bound to exhaust all the possibilities of the situation, the more so since the Australian people, having volunteered for service overseas in large numbers, find it difficult to understand why they must wait so long for an improvement in the situation when irreparable damage may have been done to their power to resist, the prestige of Empire, and the solidarity of the Allied cause.

Mr. Curtin's telegram was both serious and unusual. The expression "inexcusable betrayal" was not in accordance with the truth or with military facts. A frightful disaster was approaching. Could we avoid it? How did the balance of loss and gain stand? At this time the destination of important forces still rested in our control. There is no "betrayal" in examining such issues with a realistic eye. Moreover, the Australian War Committee could not measure the whole situation. Otherwise they would not have urged the complete neglect of Burma, which was proved by events to be the only place we still had the means to save.

Hardening

It is not true to say that Mr. Curtin's message decided the issue. If we had all been agreed upon the policy we should, as I had suggested, certainly have put the case bluntly to Wavell. I was conscious however of a hardening of opinion against the abandonment of this renowned key point in the Far East. The effect that would be produced all over the world, especially in the United States, of a British "scuttle" while the Americans fought, on so stubbornly at Corregidor, was terrible to imagine. There is no doubt what a purely military decision should have been.

By general agreement of acquiescence, however, all efforts were made to reinforce Singapore and to sustain its defence. The 10th Division, part of which had already landed, went forward on its way.

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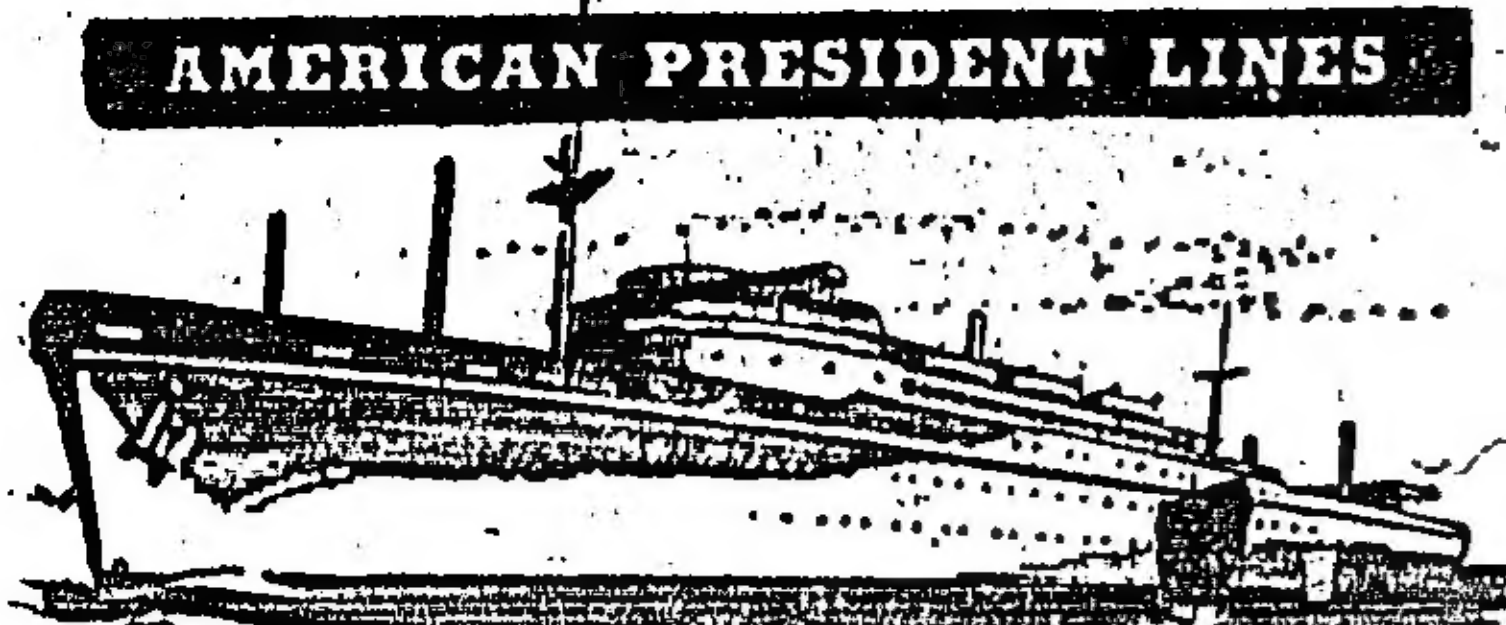
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They called the police headquarters of various countries in the world asking if they knew of any missing radium. They said yesterday that they believed the radium—five grammes of it—was smuggled into Egypt from Britain or stolen from a plane passing through Egypt.

It was alleged to have been found on the premises of two Greeks—Dr. Ella Callistratos and Yanni Youlialis—and Amin Shulay El Shahaby Pasha, a retired Egyptian police commandant.

Dr. Callistratos, the police said, was trying to sell it to high Government officials at half price. British shipping and airline officials said they knew nothing of its loss.—Reuter.

KING GUSTAV LEFT FORTUNE

Stockholm, Nov. 1.—King Gustav V of Sweden left a personal fortune of 15 million crowns (£1,100,000), the Liberal newspaper, Aftonbladet, said today.

The bulk goes to his sons, the present King Gustav Adolf and Prince Wilhelm. His grandchildren will receive 300,000 crowns (£10,000) each and his servants pensions and gifts.—Reuter.

Doorstep To Heaven

Sydney, Nov. 1.—"This," a suburban householder chattily told a passing army officer as he unloaded a 60 lb. aerial bomb from his car, "this is my idea of a good doorstep for the garage."

He changed his mind and gladly surrendered it when the Army man convinced him that the bomb was "live" and had enough explosive to blow a house to smithereens.—Reuter.

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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

AN assembly at Torquay told that dustmen take a greater pride in their work if their dustcarts are painted in gay colours. Those, for instance, who shovelled refuse into carts with red wheels worked harder than the others. "Their output went up," said the speaker, thus raising the whole question of the overall output of dustmen. When Miss Slope, corner was Miss Duxton she used to stand on a cart decorated with flowers and bunting, laughingly avoiding egg-shells, tea-leaves, cabbage - stumps, and potato-peelings thrown by members of the Young Dustmen's League, who lined the route. The Refuse Drive that followed her visits to various towns earned no dollars, but won the respect and admiration of the public and led to the election of Miss Slope as Queen of Britain.

Rainette Portevioix interviewed

DR. SMART-ALLICK and one or two of the senior masters interviewed Miss Portevioix in the headmaster's study. She made her entrance as though she had the chorus at her back, and Mr. Cowling, the senior history master, was rebuked by the doctor for giving her the whistling welcome of an American sailor. The moment she sat down the headmaster felt as though he were interviewing a pair of legs. He asked her what experience she had had of boys. Possibly the question was badly phrased, for she broke into a slow smile, and said, "But, plenty. I love them all." Asked if she had ever held any post similar to that for which she was applying, she said, "It is you who are applying for me." Dr. Smart-Allick coughed uneasily. She then dropped her handbag. Every man in the room sprang forward, out of natural courtesy, three because she was so pretty, and the remaining eight from an ingrained habit of swift action at the sight of a handbag.

Impulsive and spontaneous in all your reactions, you are apt to be more frank in expressing your opinions than you should be. You, however, have tremendous powers of persuasion and would probably do exceptionally well in promotion, publicity or advertising.

Professor Pelando replies

THE main difference between Mumbojumbo, as interpreted by Spiller and by Dr. Rhubarb, and Abnecadabra is that while Abnecadabra is the Non-Positivism of Krudoul

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brought up to date. Mumbojumbo harks for its major tenets to Schopenhauer and the Leipzig School of Refractionism. Mumbojumbo assumes the non-existence of Thought. Abnecadabra maintains that Dr. Rhubarb is employing thought when he attempts to prove that thought does not exist. He is thinking that it does not exist. And thus, like a house of cards, collapses the system of Schramm, Babelmeister, Dupuytren, Piff, Rotenhaus and Thump.

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YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

If you are born today, you are one of those positive individuals whose influence can be for good—if you exert your powers in the right direction. But you are inclined to be impatient and quick tempered. You may regret your outburst the moment you cool off and want to ask forgiveness. But others are not always as quick to forget and considerable unpleasantness can be the result. Learn to think twice before answering in wrath.

Impulsive and spontaneous in all your reactions, you are apt to be more frank in expressing your opinions than you should be. You, however, have tremendous powers of persuasion and would probably do exceptionally well in promotion, publicity or advertising.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—If you can help someone who is in need, this is a good time to do it. Be co-operative.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Don't let rumour or gossip destroy your faith in something important. Keep your illusions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If involved in some argument, you will need care and tact to straighten it out.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—This is a good day for any kind of literary effort. Even writing a letter comes easy.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Use the morning hours to complete some difficult task.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—A business opening may prove the opportunity you have been looking for. Accept it instantly.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—This can prove a difficult day. Don't get involved in an argument if you can diplomatically avoid it.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Letter writing should be your job for today. See that you catch up with overdue correspondence.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Share your happiness. You can bring joy to one you love. Optimism seems to rule.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Concentrate on tasks to see that they are efficiently done. Avoid distractions. Be positive in your attitudes.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—A day for building castles in the air. Literary projects should receive attention now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Learn to relax. If you can get into the country for a long week-end, do so.

CHESS PROBLEM

By S. F. E. FLATAU
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DUMB BELLS



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Pete's Careful Play Gives Him Rubber

By OSWALD JACOBY

ONCE saw a fellow go down on a hand like this," said Pete's partner reflectively. "That was probably 15 years ago and he misplayed the hand," said West. "How about giving us a break and playing this hand in less than 40 minutes flat?"

Pete paid no attention to his opponent, but looked carefully for a way to make his contract against bad breaks.

After some thought, he saw the proper line of play.

West had opened the queen of diamonds, and Pete, playing the South hand, won with the ace. Most players would then lead the queen of hearts to begin the trumps, but it is not in Pete's nature to take immediate action of any kind. In view of what happened it is a good thing this time that he was cautious.

At the second trick, Pete led the nine of clubs from his hand. West won with the king of clubs and returned the suit, dummy winning with the queen. (West suspected that South had no more diamonds and saw no reason to give dummy a free entry by way of a diamond lead.)

Having arrived in dummy, Pete returned the deuce of hearts. East played the eight, and Pete won with the ten. When West showed out, Pete realized that he had saved his contract by leading the first trump from the dummy.

Since another trump lead from the North hand was required, Pete led the ace of clubs and ruffed with dummy's three of hearts. He then returned the four of hearts from the dummy.

It didn't matter what East played on this trick. If he played the nine, South would win and concede two tricks to the ace and king. If East put up the king, South would retain the queen and jack to clear up the trumps.

It is important to note that South would have lost his contract if he had led the queen of hearts from his hand at the second trick. East would win with the king of hearts and return a spade.

South could get to dummy with a club to lead a second trump. East would play low, allowing South to win with the ten.

Now, however, if South tried to enter dummy by ruffing a club, there would be no more trumps to lead from dummy through East.

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Negro Student Fails To Stir University

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Nov. 1.—Approximately 8,000 white students of Louisiana State University today ignored the registration of the first Negro in the University's 90-year history.

The student, Roy Wilson, is expected to attend his first class in the law school later in the day. A source, who asked to remain unidentified, said he had investigated the attitude of the white students and found a dead calm.

"They appear not to be concerned at all," he added. As for Wilson, he has so far refused to comment except through his lawyer. Wilson was admitted through a Federal Court ruling after being turned down by the University Board of Supervisors last summer. An appeal against the Court ruling has been made to the U.S. Supreme Court.—United Press.

Monkey Business

Sydney, Nov. 1.—Other monkeys formed a ring to watch when an Indian macaque (long-muzzled monkey) attacked James Dickinson, an attendant at Taronga Park Zoo here.

The macaque was a children's circus performer "turned sour". Dickinson was treated at hospital for severed arteries and torn arm tendons.—Reuter.

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